IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Based on PCT/DE 01/02371

For: FUEL INJECTION VALVE FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, Between the title and paragraph [0001] please insert the following:

[0000.2] CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0000.4] This application is a 35 U.S.C. 371 application of PCT/DE 01/02371, filled on June 27, 2001

[0000.6] BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0002] The invention is based on a fuel injection valve for internal combustion engines, preferably self-igniting internal combustion engines.

Please replace paragraph [0002] with the following rewritten paragraph:

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